

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Bob Lake, on January 10, 2007 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bob Lake, Chairman (R)
Rep. Jill Cohenour, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Jon Sonju, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Norma Bixby (D)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)
Rep. Ron Erickson (D)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Edward Hilbert (R)
Rep. Mike Jopek (D)
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)
Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)
Rep. Dave McAlpin (D)
Rep. Bill Nooney (R)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski (D)
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)
Rep. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Jeff Martin, Legislative Branch
Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only.

They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 21, 1/5/2007; HB 22, 1/5/2007;
HB 109, 1/5/2007

HEARING ON HB 21

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:13 Rep. Penny Morgan (R), HD 57, opened the hearing on HB 21, Revision of revenue estimating resolution for special sessions.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:03:36 Rep. Lambert

Closing by Sponsor:

00:04:16 Rep. Penny Morgan

HEARING ON HB 22

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:04:53 Rep. Dave McAlpin (D), HD 94, opened the hearing on HB 22, Clarify distribution of revenue from fee in lieu of tax on heavy vehicles.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:58 Steve Austin, Montana Department of Revenue

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:06:59 Rep. Butcher

00:08:30 Rep. Ross

Closing by Sponsor:

00:09:29 Rep. Dave McAlpin

HEARING ON HB 109

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:09:57 Rep. Ron Erickson (D), HD 93, opened the hearing on HB 109, Make grantor trusts pass-through entities for tax withholding and reporting.

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Proponents' Testimony:

00:15:35 Brenda Gilmer, Lawyer, Montana Department of Revenue

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:19:54 Mary Whittinghill, President, Montana Taxpayers Association

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:20:57 Rep. Butcher

00:24:47 Rep. Ross

Closing by Sponsor:

00:25:49 Rep. Ron Erickson

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 8:30 A.M.

REP. BOB LAKE, Chairman

DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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